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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEE- CASE OF NGUYEN THANH LONG

REF: A) STATE 212364; B) BANGKOK 12740; C) STATE 169786

1. OUR RECORDS SHOW THAT NGUYEN THANH LONG DEPARTED THAILAND FOR FORT CHAFFEE ON THE AUGUST 8 ICEM CHARTER FLIGHT. MR. LONG'S FAMILY (REF B) WAS VISA FALCON CLEARED (REF C) AND WE INCLUDED THEIR NAMES ON A JULY 22 DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF 50 VIETNAMESE FOR MOVEMENT FROM CAMP VAYAMA TO UTAPAO. BECAUSE MR. LONG HIMSELF WAS NOT FALCON CLEARED, WE DID NOT INCLUDE HIS NAME IN THE LIST AND DID NOT AUTHORIZE MOVEMENT. IT APPEARS, HOWEVER, THAT HE WAS ABLE TO BOARD THE BUS WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE THAI AND U.S. OFFICIALS PRESENT.

2. ONCE MR. LONG WAS IN OUR CAMP IN UTAPAO, IT WAS ASSUMED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED HIS VISA FALCON CLEARANCE BECAUSE WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY FOLLOWED THE RULE THAT ONLY THOSE REFUGEES WITH VISA FALCON CLEARANCES ARE MOVED INTO OUR CAMP.
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